



## Winter Field Session [WFS]

This course takes you beyond the Survival Core Seminar allowing you to gain confidence in solid modern survival techniques that can be quickly applied in the Montane or Boreal Environments. This training gives you the chance to develop and practice winter survival skills, in has a relaxed hands-on learning atmosphere. It will allow you an excellent look at the challenges of Montane or Boreal Forest survival in winter.

**Emphasis will be on useful forest resources, fire lighting, shelter building, knifecraft, using survival tools and water purification in winter.** Each participant will have the opportunity to build a winter survival shelter and use various survival tools. Firecraft practice will be extensive and emphasize will be on lighting fire with natural tinder and a striker. Participants will build and then live in a 2-person survival shelter for the night. The following points will be discussed and practiced on this two-day course:

### **Knifecraft**

- Selecting a good Survival Knife
- Basic Knife Handling
- Construct a Sharpening Board
- Knife Sharpening

### **Using Survival Tools**

- Build & Use a Baton
- Basic Notches
- Useful Knots

### **Water Purification**

- Collecting & Melting Snow
- Water Purification Methods

### **Fire Lighting**

- Finding Natural Tinder
- Finding Natural Fire Lighting Aids
- Fire Lighting with a Striker
- Survival Twig Bundles

- Selection of Proper Wood
- Getting a Fire Started
- Keeping a Fire Burning
- Cooking with a Survival Fire

### **Shelter Building**

- Selection of Winter Survival Shelters
- Survival Lean-to
- Build a Bough Bed
- Build a 2 Person Survival Shelter

### **The Boreal Forest**

- Trees of the Boreal Forest
- Useful plants of the Winter Forest
- Identification of Aspect / Slope
- Best Survival Camp Locations

**Prerequisite:** *Survival Core Seminar*

**Location:** Boreal Forest Location or as Contracted

**Dates:** As per Web Site Calendar or as Contracted [Groups of 5 or more]

**Cost:** \$325 per person or \$1200 plus \$20 per person [Groups of 5 or more]  
*(1-Day Field Option for Groups \$600 plus \$10 per person)*

**Course Time Frame:** 2-Days *(1-Day Group Option)*